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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Michel Blayrac et al.

Title: "CONTROL SYSTEM FOR LIFTING AND REMOTE
MANIPULATION UNITS PLACED IN A CONFINED
CONTAINMENT"

Docket No.: 33486

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the application
prior to examination thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10 without prejudice.

Please add the following claims:

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- 1 11. (new) Control system for remote manipulation
2 equipment (41) fixed on carrying equipment (43) operating in a
3 confinement containment (40) and subjected to radioactive
4 radiation comprising:
5 - "onboard" control means located inside the
6 containment (40) designed to control movements of
7 the said manipulation and carrying equipment (41,
8 43); and
9 - management means (42) located outside the
10 containment (40) providing the interface between the